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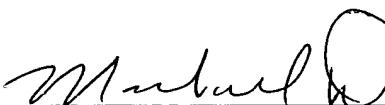
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For: ORAL IMMUNOLOGY  
USING PLANT PRODUCT  
CONTAINING A NON-  
ENTERIC PATHOGEN  
ANTIGEN

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AMENDMENT

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the official action of October 3, 2000, please amend as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

Claim 1 (twice amended)

A method for providing a protective immune response in a mammal that is specific to an antigen to a non-enteric pathogen (NEPA), the pathogen being a pathogen that invades through a breach in the skin and that does not raise a protective enteric immune response in mammals free of acquired immunity to the pathogen in the absence of an oral adjuvant, said method comprising feeding the mammal with a substance comprising a physiologically acceptable plant material from a [plant] potato containing the NEPA, expressed by the [plant] potato as a result of